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To Whom It May Concern:

In regards to the proposed Microsoft settlement, I do not believe the current proposal provides adequate regulation to keep Microsoft from smothering competition. Many businesses and products have ceased to exist over the last two decades due to Microsoft's business practices.

Some examples include companies like Be (makers of BeOS) and products like DR-DOS (currently owned by Caldera).

Even after being found guilty of being an illegal monopoly, Microsoft's behavior has not changed. Regulation of thier actions, with the threat of criminal penalties for non-compliance, is the only remedy that I can believe will curtail them. The market must be able to return to a state of competition.

Our economy is far too fragile, and our society too dependant on computers to allow one company to control a monopolistic share of the market.

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